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SPECIAL EVENTS FEATURED AT HISTORY MUSEUMS IN OCTOBER

(SALEM, NJ)—A “harvest” of special events and programs are featured at Salem County’s museums and historic sites this October.

“The Fall season is great time to tour the County with something for everyone from hearth cooking for children to lectures,” said Freeholder Beth Timberman, liaison to the Salem County Cultural & Heritage Commission which is coordinating the promotion.

Young people can get a hands-on taste of life two centuries ago at the Friends of the Hancock House’s annual Open Hearth Cooking Workshop on Saturday, October 15. Guided by experienced hearth cooks, the children experience how meals were prepared without the convenience of gas or electricity in the historic Swedish Log Cabin on the site. The following day, the Lower Alloways Creek log Cabin Museum in Canton presents Farm Day, featuring butter and sausage making and a display of antique tractors – fun for the entire family.

For those of a more scholarly inclination, the Salem County Historical Society presents its annual John S. Rock Memorial Lecture at Mt. Pisgah AME Church in Salem on October 15. This year features Emma Lapsansky-Werner, Haverford College, discussing the pre-Civil War debate about the establishment of Liberia by African Americans. Earlier in the week, James Schulte, Sr. will be discussing Historic South Jersey Taverns with the Genealogical Society of Salem County on October 11 at Friends Village. Details about all these events can be found at www.VisitSalemCountyNJ.com, the County’s tourism website.

“Discover the Treasures of Salem County” is a project created by ten organizations in partnership with the Salem County Cultural & Heritage Commission: Alloway Museum, Churchlanding Farm-Pennsville Township Historical Society, Hancock House State Historic Site, Genealogical Society of Salem County, Lower Alloways Creek Log Cabin Museum, Pilesgrove-Woodstown Historical Society, Ranch Hope Carriage Museum, Revolution Tours, Inc., Salem County Historical Society and Salem Main Street.

“The Discover the Treasures Prize Drawing is an extra incentive to enjoy the County’s rich history this Fall,” said Timberman, “and it’s easy to enter.”

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Visitors will have a chance to win prizes of goods and gift certificates by picking up a brochure at one of the participating locations or events and have it validated at three other locations. After collecting four validation stamps, the entry form is completed and deposited at any of the sites by December 11. There's no charge to enter and all family members are eligible. Also, there's no limit to the number of entries that can be submitted as long as they are validated by four of the participating organizations. Brochures are also available on weekends at the Salem County Visitors' Center, 1 New Market St. in Salem and at several businesses around the County.

Prizes include books, goods and gift certificates donated by the participating organizations and their supporters. The prize drawing takes place on December 18, 3:30 pm, at Churchlanding Farm's final Victorian Christmas Candlelight Tour and winners do not have to be present. For information call the Salem County Cultural & Heritage Commission (856-935-7510 x 8532 or 8384).